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Records
of the
Board of Trustees
The
Unitarian Church
of
Reading, Mass.

April 17, 1922.

The first meeting of the year held at the home of P. N. Sweetser.

1922-23 Chairman Board

Richard F. Loring was elected as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the year.

Sec't

Robert O. Cherley was elected Secretary the meeting was then called to order by Mr Loring and the business of the evening taken up. The sewer assessments were read and it was voted to pay them in instalments

Sewer assessments

Decorating Committee

Miss Doris Temple voted to be added to the decorating Committee to assist Milton Viall.

Furniture

Voted to have such of the church furniture as was in need of repair put in first class condition

Salary of The Minister

Voted the ministers Salary to be the some for 1922 as in 1921

advertisement of Easter Service

Voted to uphold the chairman in inserting advertisement of our Easter Service in Boston Herald April 15 1922

Sunday Flowers.

Voted per Instructions from the annual meeting to have Weston's Flower Shop furnish flowers each Sunday for 75¢ per Sunday.

Nominating Committee 1923

Suggested as a nominating Committee for 1923

A. N. Mansfield
Otis Ruggles.
Mrs P. N. Sweetser

To be voted at annual meeting adjournment.

Collector

Voted unanimously elected Collector for year Miss Mary A Bancroft

auditor

Voted for and elected as auditor Robert O Chesley

Instructions to Nominating Committee for 1923.

It was further suggested that the nominating Committee be advised and reminded of their Duty one month previous to the next annual meeting also that they be instructed to nominate & select a Life Member to the ang to be elected at said annual meeting

adjourned 11.00 P.M. until agoun called together

R. O Chesley clerk.

Special Meeting. May 22, 1922

Meeting called and held at Richard F Lovings' house at 8.00 P.M.

Treas instructions

Moved and unanimously voted "that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized and instructed to close the accounts in the Mechanics Savings Bank standing in the names of the "Charities of the Christian Union Church" and the "Christian Union Society."

Repairs on Parsonage etc

Mr Clapp was instructed to repair posts & piazza at the Parsonage

Voted to leave sewer Connections until such time as it should be sold. as it is now laid as far as the cellar wall. (cost about $75.00 for plumber & $35.00 estimated)

Moved & voted to add to the Building Committee C-A-Loring.

Harry L Dean.

thus making five

Rochesley clerk.

Special meeting June 1, 1922

Voted. that the Board of Trustees recommend the sale and transfer. 2800 sq ft of land more or less. in rear of church lot adjoining Land of J.A. Loring. about 20 ft in width on Summer ave and tapering to 10 ft in rear at West end of said lot adjoining land of James W Gines, retaining a right of way over entire depth of said lot for Term of 99 years

R Rochesley clerk

Special meeting June 9 1911

Mr Richard Loring proposed verbal offer from Mr C A Loring "That the motion of June 1st be reconsidered striking out clause '99 year etc' saying Mr C A Laing would give $1000.00 and put in a driveway for the church on the church property in accordance with the architects specifications."

Discussion was entered into and before a vote was taken Mr Willson moved that the proposition be laid on the table until a later date or such time as the lines of the church be laid out on the lot." This was also amended by the words. "and a copy of the proposition presented in writing to the Board."

Discussion was then entered into and the meeting adjourned with out any action being taken by the Board on either proposition or motion.

R O Chesley
Clerk.

Sunday
P.M.

Special Meeting on church lot. Board of Trustees, C A Loring, Dr. Wadlin, Mr Madden. measurments for church made and decided that we could only give Mr Loring strip of land 20 on Summer Ave tapering to (0) nothing at North-west corner. Decided to wait until Corner Boards were up before settling on this finally. Agreeable to Mr C A Loring.

R O Chesley Clerk

Special Meeting Sept 18 1922

The Board of Trustees met at home of P.H. Sweetser and because of the Illness of Mr W.H. Wilson he was released from the duties of Treasurer, and it was moved & sovated that A.N. Mansfield be appointed acting treasurer of the Church until such time as Mr Wilson is able to resume his duties."

A letter was written by the Clerk & Mr C.W. Smith wishing him a speedy recovery This being all the business to come before the Board the meeting as adjourned-

R.O Chesley Clerk.

Trustees Meeting held February 18 1923

The Clerk was instructed to write to each member of the Nominating Committee advising them that the Trustees would meet jointly with them at their Call.

It was voted to Include the Treasurer as a member of the Finance Committee.

Miss Minnie Cames reccommended as the nominee for Life member to the Aid. as the suggestion of Mr Chesley. Nominating Committee so advised

Letter written to Finance Committee by Mr Loring calling attention to fact that

nineteen people named in the letter pledged last year a total of $476.00 none of whom have pledged this year. (Copy on file)

R Chesley clerk.

Joint meeting of Building Committee on bids for church building as received and accepted as per report of Secy of Building Committee below.

Building Construction		Heating	
Holt Fairchild & Co	47,151.00	D.O. Miller	3290.
Doisko & Co.	53,726.	Thompson Spear Co	38 35.
Mitchell & Sutherland	55201.	Shaw & Campbell	3980.
L D Mullen & Son	55836.	J W Right	4093
Gascoigne	56273.	F E Woodward	4140
E H Porter	57533.	A B Franklin	4245
Nicoll & Co	66966	Driscoll & Henderson	4250
		H C Fife	4366
		Gen Const & Ry Co	4439.

The Trustees jointly with the Building Committee voted to accept the first two mentioned bids. Holt Fairchild & Co and D.O. Miller. for a total of $52.441 Construction & Heating and the Building Committee and the Architect were instructed to ask these firms to hold their bids open until after the annual meeting and to notify at once if there were any changes looming on the horizon.

R.O. Chesley clerk.

March. 29, 1923

Meeting of the Board of Trustees held at 8.00 P.M. To consider articles for the warrant to be voted on at the annual meeting.

It was reccommended that the letter be written as per copy. attached to the Church Report under the annual meeting 4/16/23

Moved & seconded that the Society approve and Ratify all resolves

All records and acts of the Board of Trustees as heretofore recorded at annual meeting April 16 1923

R.O. Chesley Clerk.

April 18 1923

at 8.00 oclock the clerk called the meeting to order and the New Board as elected at the annual meeting ~~not~~ (~~and~~ elected Wm H Willson Chairman.) ~~at~~

The reccommendations of the Nominating Committee were followed and their entire nominees were elected (as per their report in the Church record of April 16 1923)

The Ministers salary was voted the some as last year $2100.00

A Committee was nomed in accordance with the vote of the church for a Soliciting Committee for the Building Fund. with Dr Brondt as chairman. Mrs Brondt

W P Adden
W A Boncroft
Mary A Boncroft
Bertha L Brown.
H P Bolar.
Helen Ruggles.
Harry Done
Hattie Ruggles.
Otis B Ruggles
Mrs Frances Mansfield
Marion Parks
W H Benjamin
Mrs J A V. Morton
R O Closley
Wm H. Willson
C A Loring
Kimball Loring
Jack L oring
Archer Prentiss
A N. Mansfield
C N Sweetser
Mrs C N Sweetser
Mrs J F. Perkins
E M. Di[illegible]
L. J. Nodding.
J. F. Loring

Each person was called on Phone by the Trustees and a meting called at Dr Brondt for Saturday P.M. at 7.30 of this Committee.

No More buiness to be transacted it was adjourned at 10.00

Rochesley Clerk.

April 28. 1913

Meeting called jointly with the Building Committee to see what course should be taken the soliciting Committee have raised about $5500.00 of the $8,000 which we thought would be necessary. Now we find that there is an increase of $3700.00 in labor since the Bids were received.

After much discussion it was finally decided that Mr Willson as Chairman of the Board of Trustees interview the Gentlemen at the A.W.A. telling them frankly our situation

It was moved and seconded that Dr Brondt be added to the members of the Building Committee - and the clerk was instructed to so notify him.

Meeting adjourned to Monday 30th

Rochesley

Clerk.

April 3 & 1923

Mr Willson, Mr Baker and Mr Sweatser visited the A.M.A. and interviewed Mr Williams and Mr Simons and were most graciously received.

The financial Statement as copied below was presented to them and they agreed in behalf of the A.M.A. to Loan an additional amount of $6,000.00 to the Church Society to complete the necessary requirements and they (Mr Simons & Mr. Williams) told the Committee to sign the contracts & build the Church at once before there was another increase in the bids.

"Approximate standing of the Building Fund".

Assets in Banks and bonds	$20,500.
Old pledges uncollected	3.000.
	23500
Loan of A.M.A. as arranged	15.000
	38.500
Original estimate of Building	40,000.
Less Architects Fee	1500
	$38.500

Increase of actual bid over estimate due to change of Plans and increased cost of building 15,000.

Amount already raised on new pledges. 5,100.

1923 drive now on and trying still on to raise $5.000 - ($3000 additional over $2000 already pledged) seems fairly sure of making quota & probably exceeding it.

W. H. Willson Treas.

True Copy attest Rochelle Clerk.

The Building Committee were then agreed that the Architect be instructed to have the Contracts drawn & presented for signatures at once.

R O Chesley
Clerk.

Later Note. As a means of record the Contracts were signed May 4 1923 and work commenced Monday May 7 1923.

R O Chesley
Clerk.

May 10 1923

Meeting of the Board of Trustees (Mr Sweatser being absent)

Moved seconded and so voted That Judge J W Morton be requested and empowered to prepare for signatures of the Trustees all necessary papers for the transfer of the Lot on Woburn St and Summer Ave. to the Corporation and for the giving of a mortgage by the said Corporation to the Area. in settlement for the same sum.

Written Authority from the Area not yet received and Mr Willson elected to call.

R O Chesley Clerk.

(Letter received OK. to day.)

June 6 1923

Trustees Meeting at Wm F Wilson's at 8.00 P M
all present except Miss Ruggles.

Moved and so voted, to instruct the Asa to
drawer up all papers necessary for the transfer of the
land at Corner of Woburn & Summer ave to our Society.

Rev. Mr. Ham and Dr Wadlin appointed as a Committee
for the Laying of the Corner Stone with power to make
all arrangements and to increase their committee as
they see fit.

Clerk instructed to write Mr. Ham that the Church
would close the last sunday in June and remain closed
until September 9. 1923.

adjourned 10.00 P M

R S Chesley
Clerk

Sept 6, 1923

Trustees meeting held at Mr Willems.
Mr Sweetser absent.

The box taken from the old corner stone was opened & contents examined in presence of Mr Yorn & Dr Wadlin.

List made up for the new corner stone copy to be found in Church record.

Instructed Building Committee to get dimentions from architect and have pews cut down and prepared for new church.

Dr Brande requested to see that the Budget Committee clean up drive for Funds. also raise $2000 for Building Fund

Mortgage Deed & notes signed to all on New Church.

R Rochesley
Clerk

November 7. 1923

Held at P.M. Sweeten's. 8.00 P.M.

Building Committee report that bid on Parsonage vary from $8000.00 to $10,500.00. The plans were given to Dr Wadlin to be cut down if possible

Moved seconded & so voted that P.M. Sweeten be authorized and instructed to get bids for Painting exterior of the Parsonage on Linden also shingling and any other minor repairs necessary in preparation thereto.

Clerk was instructed to notify Finance Board that Budget sheet must be completed at once.

Ca Loring Ex-Dilloway Emma Adden AR Prentiss WS Dennison Dr M.E. Bronde be appointed as a Committee to devise ways and means of obtaining an organ for the new church and Report in two weeks to Board of Trustees.

Pews are in progress of being cut down. nothing can be done until floor is Laid.

Moved & Seconded and so voted that a carload of Coal be purchased for new church (prox. 400 Tons) 1/2 to be used during Construction

Mr Bowers considered as a possibility for Janitor.

RO Cheeley
Clerk.

Nov 22 1923

meeting at p.m. Sweetser's.

Mr Sweetser reported Contract for shingling of Parsonage on Linden St awarded Stewart & Robinson at $10.00 a sq.

Painting awarded to Harvey Quigley at 180.00 for two Coats of white with Green Blinds

Pews at $10.00 a seat awarded Holt & Fairchild (estimated total $600.00)

Treas Report shows need of $200 additional to finish up building.

Dr Blonde & Mr C. A. Lovig resign Com't & pastime to serve on organ Committee Mr Dillaway appointed Chairman.

Rochesley
Clerk

January 2019 ✓4

Meeting of Board of Trustees held at Church building

4:30 P.M.

Moved seconded and so noted "That the Treasurer W.H. Wilson, be and hereby is authorized and instructed to borrow the equivalent of ninety percent (90%) of the amount on deposit to the credit of the Unitarian Church of Reading Mass, in the Home Savings Bank and in the Blackstone Saving Bank."

Moved seconded and so voted "That the Mechanics Saving Bank be and hereby is authorized and instructed to pay to W.H. Wilson all moneys on deposit in said institution standing in name of

and that said Bank shall be held blameless against all loss cost or damage arising in connection of said payment as aforesaid."

Moved seconded & so voted, "That Treasurer pay $1.00 toward A.U.A. Campaign Fund"

Moved seconded & so voted "That Treasurer borrow up to $5,000.00 on mortgage of Linden St parsonage.

C.F. Chesley.
Clerk

February 17, 1924.

Sunday evening at 6.30 the first get to gether meeting of the men held in Community Hall. a Turkey supper was served. and social evening enjoyed. Mr. Jess Morton acted as chairman and a most appetising supper was enjoyed.

Music was furnished by Mr Hedges cello & Mr Thomquist at the Piano.

Much against the wishes of the Board of Trustees and Mr. Morton it was suggested that the men be told how the finances of the Building Committee stood. Mr Wilson reported about $4500 - deficit This immediately started pledges which amounted to $2100.00

Rev. Mr. Parker our former pastor was present and spoke most enthusiastically and complemented us on our fine workable, compact, homey church plant. He predicted a great future for the Church.

meeting broke up about 8.00 and many stayed around and talked over and inspected the new building

R.O Chesley
Clerk

February 24 1924

Voted to Form a comcil composed of the minister, Clerk, Treasurer Board of Trustees, Collector Treas of Sundayschool. a Representative from the Laymans League, Unity Club and Y.P.R.U. to meet each month on the third Wednesday at 7.30 at the church to discuss any and all church business.

A.M. Smeetser elected Custodian of Building

Reported Mr Walter O Adams. received no Invitation to Supper. Clerk wrote letter explaining one was sent. Clerk instructed to wire C. Loring copy on file

Mr. Horn asked to meet with Trustees. re R.O Cheeley. recommended as scout master for new Troop.

R O Cheeley
Clerk

March 2. 1924.

Moved seconded so voted send $5.00 to Sc Madleses Conferend.

Dawton authorized to purchase 6 ash Barrels

Mr Hon asked to get price on new Hymnals.

Discussion of Organ laid on Table.

Boy scout application authorized.

P O Chesley
Clerk.

March 6 1924

Meeting of Joint Committee. Mrs O N. Sweatt Mrs Hattie Ruggles Mrs A N. Mansfield appointed by Unity Club on organ committee, Miss Emma Adden Mr Willard Adden Mr Hom and Board of Trustees. moved seconded and so voted "That Chairman of Board of Trustees be and hereby is instructed and authorized to sign contract for organ according to contract rendered by W W Lowe Organ Co. after two changes have been made as noted. (i.e. console to be detached and the softes, stop crossed out)."

organ contract given.

Unity Club voted $1000.00 to organ Fund Mar 3 1924

Miss Adden instructed to have good piano for church use until organ is installed 6 – 9 Months.

Letter written to Mr Lowe by W.P. adden on file

A.O. Chesley
Clerk.

March 9 1924

Moved seconded & so voted "to transfer $1100 from Parsonage Fund to Building fund. To reimburse for moving and building cellar for new Parsonage.

The date 1923 be cut in corner stone and usual church tablet put on outside of church building

Voted to have Articles of Incorporation Framed.

Voted to hold early moning service at 8. - 8.30 Sundays. starting April 27. 1924 if notice received favorable acknowledgement.

R. O. Chesley Clerk.

March 19 1924

Meeting of Comcil at 8.00 Mrs Boncroft Miss Park Mrs Morton Mr Horn Mr Boker Mr Adden Mr Willson Mr Sweeten Mr Cheseley present.

Moved so voted to elect Mrs Emma Adden Life Member of W.M.A.

Sec. Clark reported through Mr Sweeten that he had in his possession a fund which was to be used to buy something for the new Church The Gift was accepted with sincere thanks and suggestions as to what it should be used for will be made by the Board later. (Edwin

Report of Treasurer that there is about $300 deficit. and voted to visit and voted Clerk send letter to Pledges on Building Fund in arrears.

Adjourned 11.15 after much ground had been covered relative to minor affairs.

C. C. Cheesley Clerk.

March 30 1924

Meeting of Board of Trustees 4.00 P.M at Church.

Voted to increase Janitor to $12.00 per week.

The Budget was considered for next year. estimate that it will cost only a little over twice as much as in the old Hall.

Clerk instructed to write Mr & Mrs I.F. Perkins thanking them for the beautiful basket of Sweet Peas given for church services.

Matter of Final Financing of the Building Fund was taken up and thoroly discussed

Rochesley clerk.

Council April 16 1924

Meeting held in Minister Study at 8.00 PM
miss Park Bancroft Mr Wilson Mr Willard Perkins Mr
Horn & Mr Chesley.

Miss Park is to mail the Calendar each month
instead of Mr Foquett.

May 4th Y P U. invite church to attend an
illustrated lecture on the Isle of Shoals by Mr
Arthur Olson. after evening service. in Community
hall

Letter from Mr Eliot read

Mr Horn is to see Mr. Eliot relative to Life member
& $5/00 contribution.

Order 4 more tables for Community Hall.

Mrs Thomas & mrs Towle offer to see that
the kitchen is kept clean and we thank the
unity Club for their supervision.

Mrs Harvey thanked for beautiful flowers
at Easter service.

R C Chesley clerk.

May 25 1924

Board of Trustees met & H J Barclay elected Chairman of Board.

Ministers Salary & arrearage some this year.

Moved & seconded Church pay Mr Hans Moving Expenses.

Voted to elect all nominating committee reccommendations.

Church Close June 29 — debt 7 thr. 1924

Money on ~~Lots~~ be returned by Building Committee.

Moved Bldg Committee be authorized to sell lost at Dr Blonde Figure

Lawn Party at Mr C A Lonings June 19th money to be divided Ed Walkon Summer and 1/3 Mens club 1/3 Unity club 1/3 organ fund 1/3

Moved to sell Parsonage at $7500.00 net

adjourned 10 00

R O Cheeley
Clerk

Nov 9 1924

Meeting of Board of Trustees 7.00 P.M. at Church

Clerk instructed to write Miss Jennie Parker thanking her for long & efficient service as organist.
also instructed to see Mr Adden about Slates broken on roof flushing and see about putting in back extra steps on Summer and entrance. also fix vases on newel posts.

Voted to allow Mr & Mrs Nelson use Community hall for their 25th anniversary Nov 15 1924.

Mr Chesley was elected. Tract as custodian of the building and is to be paid 12.00 per week each week, said money to be used in payment of work done about the premises as well formally done by the janitor. authorized to get small cushions & Shades for church.

Mr Sweetser given vote of thanks for years service as Custodian

R O Chesley
clerk

Nov 30 1927

Meeting called 7.30 in Trustees Room. all being present.

The Episcopal Church wish to use Community Hall for a dance proceeds to go for their new Church Building fund. Voted to give use of hall and not to accept any donation for its use.

The Custodians allowance increased from 600.00 a year to 750.00 because of increased use of hall and extra amount of work necessitated thereby.

Other things relative to church administration talked over

Respectfully recorded
R C Wesley
Sec'k.

Dec 28 1928

Meeting 7.30 in Study
Voted five dollars for Reading federation of churches.
Dedication of Church Committee
Mrs Sweetser Mrs Ide
Willard Adden Miss Emma Adden
Mrs J W Morton Mr H J Barclay.
Judge J W Morton to give address for the Congregation.
Voted to give Mr Horn free rein to make all arrangements for publicity of Dedication and for the getting of Dr Eliot for sermon
Voted Mr Horn 100.00 for Christmas present.
Custodian instructed to have lock fixed in dish closets in kitchen and to keep front door locked for all occasions except Church worship Sunday school weddings funerals etc.

Respectfully recorded
R O Chesley
clerk

March 8 1925

Meeting held in Study

Considered financial condition of Church will meet expenses but not enough to pay 1500 on Mortgage due in April. Decided ~~to~~ have a call sent out ~~to~~ all men to raise the necessaysum.

Moved to change constitution by putting article in warrant making Board of Trustees 5 instead of 3. Suggest Mr Long & Nodding be nominated.

T. O Chesley resigned as Auditor & Mr Barclay appointed to fill vacancy.

Board suggest women on finance board next year. Miss Bancroft & miss Helen Ruggles & Mollie Sweetser..

Other Business

Adjourn 9.30

Respectfully submitted.

R Chesley.

March 29. 1925.

Meeting 7.30 in study. entire Board present.

The position of organist was talked over and finally decided to leave the decision to the Music Committee.

Moved seconded & so voted "to make the ministers salary $2400.00 for the next year."

Mr Sweetser instructed to fill in grade rear of church & fill bin with coal for next year. General discussion entered into relative general administration affairs.

Adjourned 10.00 pm

Respectfully recorded

R O Cheney

Clerk

April 12, 1925

Voted to order Wayside Pulpit

Mrs Marion Marton voted life member

Voted to authorize Chairman to allow use of hall by people without consulting full board.

Voted $5/00 and a.d.

Respectfully Recorded

R O Chelley

clerk

January 1916

Mr Anderson asked to have the collection to be taken on Young Peoples Sunday given to them. and it was so voted.

On motion duly made and seconded voted to assent to the appointment of Mrs. Fannie Wadlin as administratrix of the Estate of Horace G Wadlin without ~~Security~~ Security

Mr. Wm E. Weeks was asked to meet us and after general discussion it was decided to to call a meeting of the Laymans League and have a free turkey supper

Voted that under certain restrictions Mrs. Prentiss could use the lower auditorium for rehersals

H. A Bancroft
Clerk

February 10 1926

At the regular monthly meeting Mr Barclay and Bancroft were present and ~~don~~ lack of quorum adjourned to Feb 17th

H. A Bancroft Clerk

February 28 1926

Trustees present Messrs Barclay, Wilson Nodding & Bancroft

Mr Wilson submitted letter to send out to members in an endeavor to collect the balance of amount necessary to balance our budget

With a few changes voted to send this out as soon as possible

Mr. Hann joined us for a general talk.

The secretary was requested to notify trustees of meetings by postals

Voted to send check for $5.00 to Walter C Pierce Treas So. Middlesex Conference, Waverley Mass

H. A Bancroft Clerk

April 18th 1916

April 21st 1929

First meeting of newly elected Board of Trustees with all members present — Mrs. Robert E. Fowle, Mrs. Jesse Morton, Percy N. Sweetser, Wm. H. Benjamin, Robert E. Fowle, Harry J. Barclay, Treasurer and Percy E. Anderson, Clerk.

Wm. H. Benjamin was elected chairman by unanimous vote, Percy E. Anderson, clerk of the church, to act as secretary.

Miss Mary A. Bancroft was re-appointed collector of the church by the unanimous vote of the Board.

The matter of painting the parsonage, painting the sash of church and oiling woodwork around doors of the church was discussed, and Benjamin appointed to confer with local painters.

The need of a cement walk to the front door of the church was discussed but in view of increased running expenses for the coming year the matter was laid on the table.

The custodian of the building has been using his own vaccuum cleaner in the church and asks the trustees to authorize the purchase

of one for the church. Robert E. Fowle was instructed to arrange for the purchase of a vaccuum cleaner at the lowest price possible.

It was voted that the clerk be instructed to write Arthur W. Coolidge a letter expressing thanks for his legal advice and services in connection with the transfer of parsonage mortgage to American Unitarian Association from Mechanics Savings Bank, and in connection with a change of payments to A.U.A. on church mortgage.

Percy E. Anderson
Clerk

May 19, 1929

Meeting of Trustees in study at 8 P.M. Mrs. Fowle, Messrs. Benjamin, Sweetser, Barclay and Anderson present. Mr. Ham joined us later in the evening.

Benjamin submitted the following estimate from Hodson Bros.

Painting parsonage (one coat) — $145
Painting outside sash of church $40
Oiling outside woodwork of church $10

It was voted to have Hodson Bros. do the work as soon as possible.

It was voted to instruct the clerk to send a letter to Chas. A. Loring expressing thanks for his replacing about twenty dead shrubs in the church hedge of his own free will and at his own expense.

It was voted to instruct the music committee to secure a substitute organist for church services while Miss Litchfield is abroad.

A slight damage to church property as a result of an automobile collision is being investigated by Chas. A. Loring and R. C. Crowley.

It was voted to withdraw the name of Mrs. Arthur T. Thomas from the Membership list due to the fact that the A.M.E. is accepting no more life members from churches as has been the custom.

It was voted to approve of the Church holding Union Services in the building on the last Sunday in July and first two Sunday in August as recommended by the minister.

Percy E. Anderson
Clerk.

October 20, 1929

Meeting of Trustees in study at 8 P.M. Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Fowle, Messrs. Benjamin, Fowle, Barclay and Anderson present. Mr. Ham joined us later in the evening.

Benjamin read a letter from W. P Cadden in which Mr. Cadden complimented Robert Chesley for his services in connection with a recent wedding held in the church.

The matter of placing a sign-board indicating the name of the church, its minister and the time of its services on the front wall of the church was discussed and Mrs. Morton was asked to confer with Mr. Cadden to get his opinion and a suitable design.

As no comment has been made upon the bulletin board being removed from the front lawn of the church it was voted that no action be taken upon it for the present.

Mr. Ham remarked about the unsatisfactory condition of the pews in the Sunday School room and ~~Mrs. Morton~~ Benjamin was instructed to get an estimate

of what it would cost to replace them with settees.

Treasurer Barclay informed us that he had been obliged to borrow five hundred dollars to meet running expenses.

Reporting for the Finance Committee the clerk stated that the regular collections would be about one thousand dollars short of the estimated budget, and that the church must economize in every possible way. It was suggested that the Trustees and Finance Committee hold a joint meeting in the near future

Percy E Anderson
Clerk.

November 10, 1929

Meeting of Trustees in study at 8 P.M
Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Fowle, Benjamin, Barclay, and Anderson present.
Mrs. Morton reported that Mr. Adden would be pleased to submit a design for the board to be placed on the front of the church.
Benjamin reported that he had not been able to find settees for the lower hall which the church could afford with its limited finances

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